



# In The Darkness



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## Chapter 1 by Finney

She awoke to her own screaming.

Cold sweat dripped down her back and she took shaky breaths. Her heart raced. She laid back and tried to forget the nightmare. The same one she had every other night. She constantly felt like something was there, watching her, watching everyone. And waiting. It waited until you turned off your bedroom lights. It waited for you to let your guard down. In waited in the shadows of darkness.

But it was just a dream wasn't it?

There was nothing really there right?

She swallowed hard and realized that her throat was dry and she was dying of thirst. She kicked off the covers and sat up, rubbing her eyes. She couldn't see and wasn't able to fight the light by her bed. She gave up. She swung her legs over the side of her bed and stood up. And she felt her nightmare come to life.

And something from under her bed grabbed her ankle.

## Chapter 2 by mrBiv



A chill gripped her at her core. She opened her mouth as though to scream, but no words, no sounds escaped; she could only stand frozen in place by an inky black hand.

Eons passed within silent seconds.

"Please," a weak, whispered voice pleaded from beneath the bed. "Help."

Chapter 3 by Intellikat

It was the Cookie Man.

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